

Please cancel claims 1-5 and 14-16 without prejudice or disclaimer.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-5. (cancelled)

6. (original) A therapeutic method for inhibiting pain or nociception, comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of a first agent capable of modulating NMUR2 activity.

7. (original) The therapeutic method of claim 6, wherein the first agent is administered in combination with a second pain-reducing agent.

8. (original) The therapeutic method of claim 7, wherein the second agent is morphine.

9. (original) The therapeutic method of claim 7, wherein the first agent is an antagonist of NMUR2.

10. (original) The therapeutic method of claim 7, wherein the antagonist is an antibody to NMUR2.

11. (original) The therapeutic method of claim 9, wherein the antibody may be polyclonal, monoclonal, chimeric, humanized, or a wholly human antibody.

12. (original) The method of claim 6, wherein the NMUR2-associated condition is a chronic pain disease.

13. (original) The method of claim 12, wherein the chronic pain disease is chronic fatigue syndrome or fibromyalgia, or resulting from an injury to the body.

14-16. (cancelled)